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ISSUES INVOLVED IN WATER BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

Sierra Madre voters have been called upon to pass on a bond issue of $20,000 at the special election to be held on Tuesday, January 14. Probably most of them know the history of the water situation well enough to understand why the bonds are asked for by the city trustees. But for the sake of those who have not kept themselves informed from the news columns of this paper or who have recently come to Sierra Madre the following brief review of the matter is presented.

For four years or more serious efforts have been made to place under municipal ownership and control the Sierra Madre water system and the ENTIRE SUPPLY of water from the mountains which naturally belongs to Sierra Madre. The distributing system is owned by the Sierra Madre Water Company, a mutual concern not operated for profit, whose stockholders virtually comprise the list of Sierra Madre taxpayers. This company owns half of the water right of the Little Santa Anita Canyon stream, half interest in one of the tunnels and the whole of the other tunnel. The other half of the jointly owned water rights in the Little Santa Anita are owned by the Baldwin estate.

The Condemnation Suit

Condemnation proceedings were instituted in 1910 by the City of Sierra Madre to acquire the Baldwin holdings in the canyon. Bonds to the amount of $40,000 were voted in December of that year. It was thought that sum would be sufficient to pay the court's award to the Baldwin estate, the expense of the suit and leave a balance for improvements and extensions. After dragging through a period of two years the case was finally tried by Judge Conrey, who sustained the right of the city to condemn the water sought for municipal purposes. He placed the amount to be paid the Baldwin estate at a sum slightly in excess of $50,000 or about $10,000 more than had been provided for in the bond issue. The expenses of the suit were more than $5,000. Some funds will be necessary for immediate repairs to the pipe lines carrying water out of the canyon. After thoroughly canvassing the situation the city trustees decided to ask a supplementary bond issue of $20,000 to complete the undertaking. Two other courses were open to them. First, to drop the proceedings, lose the $5,000 expended in the suit out of the general fund of the city and give up the hope of securing control of the water supply which logically belongs to Sierra Madre. Or, second, to make up the necessary deficiency by a direct levy which would bring the whole burden in one year's taxes. Instead they chose the bond issue as a means of spreading the expense over a period of years.

Purchase of Water Company

In 1911 the stockholders of the Sierra Madre Water Company voted to sell their supply and distributing system to the city for $96,000. In turn the voters authorized a bond issue of $111,000 to make the purchase, the balance of $15,000 being for extensions and further water development. Most of this latter amount has been expended under the joint direction of the water company directors and city trustees. When the purchase is consummated the amount so expended will be paid back to the company by the city in addition to the $96,000 agreed upon. Completion of the purchase has been delayed for fear it might complicate the situation in the condemnation suit above referred to.

Acquisition of the water company's holdings can, of course, be consummated without the securing of the Baldwin holdings. But past experience has shown the Baldwin interests to be very undesirable partners in the canyon. It is frankly admitted by those most familiar with the water situation that $50,000 is more than the water actually to be acquired by the condemnation is worth. But the value to Sierra Madre of getting rid of the Baldwin ownership in the canyon is felt to be worth almost any amount. It is a necessity if Sierra Madre is to develop and make the best use of the water supply which already belongs to her. The water company has been hampered and the city will continue to be hampered in taking care of its share of the water now available.

And further development will be out of the question unless the purchase by condemnation is carried through to completion.

Shall We See It Through?

Sierra Madre has repeatedly voted in favor of municipal ownership of the entire water supply. The vote at the bond elections already held has been about four to one in favor of the propositions submitted. The question now is, will they vote $20,000 more to see through to completion the enterprises which they have authorized and put under way?

CLEANUP ON TUESDAY

WEST HALF OF TOWN TO BE GIVEN REGULAR CLEANUP NEXT WEEK

Street Superintendent Udell has appointed the first Tuesday in each month as the day for the periodical hauling of trash and rubbish. Last month the whole town was given a thorough cleaning. Henceforth the town will be divided into two sections, to be cleaned up alternately. Next Tuesday the west half will be covered by the wagons. Property owners are requested to gather up their tin can crop and other refuse and place it on the curb Tuesday morning. No garbage, or organic matter will be handled. The portion of town to be covered is that lying west of Auburn avenue and of that portion of Hermosa lying south of Central.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The men's Christmas Party proved to be a pleasant event, the club house auditorium being comfortably filled last Friday evening. The social spirit was encouraged by the plan of seating the guests about little tables on which refreshments were served later in the evening. Santa Claus, impersonated by Mr. W. E. Walker, appeared with the traditional bulging sack upon his shoulders. Each guest was provided with a large popcorn ball. The entertainment arranged by Mrs. H. I. Hawxhurst was both interesting and highly amusing. Miss Aymes of the Los Angeles Musical College proved a delightful reader, with a very attractive voice. After reading "Her First Appearance," by Richard Harding Davis, she gave as an encore, "Two Geese." Mr. Arthur Wyatt of Pasadena provided the merriment of the program, telling funny stories and singing songs with accompaniment by Mr. Hall.

Children to the number of 180 were provided with a delightful afternoon's entertainment on Saturday. Music by Mrs. Bravinder and picture plays on the screen were followed by refreshments served under the direction of Miss Ethel Powell. A visit from Santa Claus, impersonated by Miss Maybelle Caley, rounded out the enjoyment of the occasion for the youngsters.

The "Fifth Monday" session of the club was of special interest because of the formal presentation to the president, Mrs. Ingraham, of the certificate of incorporation of the club, by Mrs. E. T. Pierce, chairman of the committee on incorporation. Mayor Jones was heard with interest on the subject of street tree planting and imparted much of his enthusiasm to his audience. Mrs. J. A. Osgood spoke on the same subject and urged co-operation among members to promote the work. Some definite plan, to be arranged by a joint committee representing the various civic bodies, was suggested.

On New Year's Eve the annual dance and card party attracted many guests. At midnight the lights were lowered and a little stage picture, arranged by Mrs. J. H. Wright and Mrs. S. C. Collins, portrayed the victory of the new year over the old. Mr. Burton Andrews represented the old year and Master Douglas Collins the victorious new year.

Dr. Alliot begins the second half of his lecture course next Monday morning, January 6. Mrs. Fairbanks urges those who have not joined to take advantage of this unusual opportunity and attend these delightful talks on art and civics. The fee is two dollars for the remaining half-course, and the lectures are held at 10:15 on the first and third Monday mornings.

The last concert of the Los Angeles Musical College extension course will be given next Monday evening, January 6, at 8:15.

LATEST IN CASH REGISTERS

Step right up and pay your money. Keep your eye on the coin after your hand lets go. Now you see it and now you don't. Wrong change, did you say? Well, here is your coin, still in plain sight. That will tell which is right.

That is just one of the novel features of the new Cashier Cash Register installed in the News office this week. One man actually paid in real money for the sae of seeing it go through the register. Afterwards he declared it was worth the nickel.

The Cashier register is made in Los Angeles by a company independent of the trust. It embodies a number of advanced ideas not found in registers of any other make. It tells its possessor more about his business than any other machine made, which is the real purpose of cash registers.

Any one interested is invited to call and see how it works. If there is no money in the register to use for demonstrating purposes perhaps it will be possible to borrow a nickel somewhere for the occasion.

COMMISSION DIVIDED

INTER-CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS SHY AT PROPOSAL OF THE PRESIDENT

Sierra Madre's delegation to the Inter-City Commission voted to withdraw from that body almost immediately after having been admitted, partly for the reason that the commission was undertaking matters not originally included within the scope of its work. Among these was the proposal of President Reavis to bring beforre the legislature some plan for city and county consolidation or annexation less objectionable than that which was voted down at the November election. Now it appears that the delegates from other cities are opposing the plans advanced by Mr. Reavis.

Arthur Noble, vice president of the commission for Pasadena, says emphatically that whatever views the commission's president, John D. Reavis, may have expressed in favor of the proposed new amendment, these views were purely personal and did not represent the commission. The matter, he said, had come up before the committee on legislation, of which T. P. Lukens is chairman, and it was decided that no action should be taken by the commission.

"Local commissioners," said Mr. Noble, "are interested in annexation exactly the same as any other citizen and will be opposed to the plan unless it should be of advantage to Pasadena."

"Our plans are not political," went on Mr. Noble, "they are mostly plans for the physical improvement of the valley: We are working for: First, outfall sewers; second, adequate water supply; quicker communication with Los Angeles; illumination of the main county roads and the expert maintenance of those roads; and the abolition of bill boards." In reference to road maintenance, Mr. Noble said the commission regarded this work as of very great importance. In the valley $3,500,000 had been spent on roads and there is now a good skeleton. But the work must be pushed further. The various roads must be joined.

"We shall work hard," said Mr. Noble, speaking for the local commission, "for the acquisition and parking of the Arroyo Seco; in fact, for anything that means physical improvement to the city."

The commission is also having difficulty collecting dues from the various cities composing the membership. At the first meeting attended by Sierra Madre's representatives the dues were advanced materially at the suggestion of President Reavis, in spite of the fact that hardly anything had been paid in at the old rates. Reports of the proceedings of the South Pasadena city trustees indicate that when the bill for dues was presented to that body action was deferred until it was found whether or not other cities were going to pay up.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Members of the Congregational Church held their annual meeting in the church parlors last evening. Reports of offcials were received, showing the affairs of the church to be in flourishing condition. A nominating committee was chosen to report at an adjourned session to be held next Thursday evening at seven o'clock in the church parlors.

SECRETARY IS NAMED

COUNTY Y.M.C.A. WORK WILL BE PUSHED WHEN BUDGET IS PROVIDED FOR

C. A. Bummere, now membership secretary of the San Francisco Young Men's Christian Association, met iwth the county committee at its first meeting last Saturday afternoon in the American National Bank building at Monrovia. He was given a unanimous call to become secretary of the Los Angeles county association as soon as the $7,000 budget has been provided for. He will begin work the first of February if that amount is secured. Mr. Gummere has been associate state secretary of the State of Washington for two years and has had extensive experience as a traveling salesman and also in newspaper work. He comes very well equipped for this work.

Judge W. M. Northup of Alhambra, chairman, and F. N. Hawes of Monrovia, treasurer of the Los Angeles county committee, have been appointed as the two members from Los Angeles county on a group committee which will have immediate charge of the work being conducted in the group of four counties now organized in Southern California, viz: Ventura, Orange, San Bernardino and Los Angeles. Mr. E. J. Ruenitz will be group secretary.

The $4,000 mark has been reached by the budget committee and now that the Christmas festivities are over the campaign for the $7,000 fund will be continued with vigor.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Church of the Ascension, the Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Second Sunday after Christmas. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; sermon and Holy Communion, 11 a. m. The rector will deliver a New Year's sermon. All are cordially invited.

HOME OF TRUTH

"Key to Concentration" will be the subject of the discourse at the Home of Truth, 493 Auburn avenue, on Sunday, January 5, at 3:30 p. m. Service conducted by Harriet C. Hamor. All are cordially invited. Sunday school at two o'clock.

CIVICS STUDY CLUB

The Civics Study Club will hold its regular meeting next Monday afternoon at three o'clock in the parlors of the Woman's Club house. The subject for discussion will be the tariff.

HARD ON FATHER

A diplomat, at a dinner in Washington, discussed the Crown Prince of Germany. "He gives his poor father a lot of trouble," the diplomat said, with a frown. "The Reichstag incident, where he showed open disapproval of the Kaiser's peace policy, is only one of many similar incidents that the public hears nothing about. A friend of mine, one winter night, was skating with the crown prince at St. Moritz, in the Swiss Engadine. The sky glanced and glittered splendidly with its host of stars, and my friend, pointing to a star of mervelous brilliance, said: 'I wonder what star that is?' 'Doubtless,' said the crown prince, with a sneering laugh, 'it is some new decoration my father has seen fit to honor the Ruler of the heavens.'"

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CHURCHES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Central Ave., at Hermosa. Rev. W. H. Hannaford, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p.m. Evening worship, 7:30 p.m. Midweek prayer meeting, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Residence, The Rectory. Phone Black 70. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; Holy Communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a. m.; on the greater festival and other days by appointment, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday evening service from October to July, 7:30 p. m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Chapel on Highland avenue, east of Baldwin. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge. Services at 9 a. m. Sunday.

HOME OF TRUTH—493 Auburn Ave. Sunday service, 3:30 p.m. Bible lesson, Wednesday, 3 p.m. Healing meeting Friday, 8 p.m. All are welcome.

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FRATERNAL

SIERRA MADRE LODGE, No. 408, F. & A. M.—Stated meeting first Tuesday in each month. All visiting Masons welcome. Club House Hall. J. A. Patterson, W. M. J. D. Mackerras, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE CHAPTER, O. E. S., No. 299, meets the first and third Mondays of each month in Woman's Club House Hall at 8 p.m. Visiting members welcome. Mrs. W. E. Walker, W. M.; Mrs. Frank Biederman, Secretary.

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12:13 p.m. San Bernardino local.
1:44 p.m. California Limited
5:20 p.m. San Bernardino local.
8:18 p.m. San Bernardino local.

Another Letter From Far Southern Seas

The News is in receipt of another letter from Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Reas who are visiting various places among the South Sea Islands. The letter was mailed at Sidney, N. S. W., but tells of that portion of their trip from Tahiti to New Zealand, the island of Rarotonga being a short sail west of Tahiti and in the direct line of the Sidney and Melbourne steamers.

On the morning of October 31 we see the island of Rarotonga dead ahead of us. By 10 a.m. we have dropped anchor and half an hour later finds us in a whale boat followed by several others drawn by a small tug dashing off shoreward through the spray. What a magnificent color is this water—such a deep blue and so clear. We can look down and see the coral at the bottom nearly a hundred feet down, and what schools of big fish there are down there, too! Soon we are at the end of the wharf of the pretty little town of Avarua. We walk briskly up the wharf and strike out inland for we have but a short time to stop here. We notice that there are twenty or thirty tons of bananas, in boxes piled up on the wharf and we are slightly intoxicated by the sweet smell of tons and tons of copra (dried coacoanut) which will have to be loaded on our boat before she is ready to leave.

Among the Banana Groves

We follow up a good road along a valley hedged in on either side by steep mountains through cocoanut groves and other trees of various kinds and soon strike the banana groves in earnest. There are hundreds of acres of them and beyond on sides of the mountains are the wild ones. These plants are small, seldom over six feet tall. There are also lots of pawpaw trees and many of them have ripe fruit on them. There are also lots or cocoanuts, all to be had for the picking, and growing wild. As it began to rain we started back and found we had wandered fully 1½ miles away from the boat. After getting back to town we walked east along the principal street, seeing the natives and their homes and again more new flowers. Coming back along the shore, which is pure coral, we picked up several shells and pretty pieces of coral. The "Moano" did not sail till 11 p.m., as it took so long to transport the cargo by lighters.

The Cook group belongs to New Zealand, hence here everything is English. The natives are Maori's and in greeting always say "Good day." When they have not met for some time they grasp hands and rub their noses together, sometimes for 10 minutes at a time. Must be lots of fun.

Landing at Wellington

Next morning fund us headed due southwest bucking against a stiff breeze dead ahead and the weather much cooler. This state of affairs continued for a day till it got pretty rough. At the end of the sixth day the shores of New Zealand appeared on the right and that night at 2:30 a.m. the rattling of the anchor chains and the stopping of the engines told us that we had covered the 1800 miles and were at Wellington. At 8 a.m. the port doctor came aboard and we filed in front of him. He fired all sorts of funny questions at us. In an hour's time this was over and we were steaming to the wharf. The customs officers went through our baggage in a hurry and before we knew it we were again free on shore.

A few days before we got in a lot of us went up on the forecastle deck and talked with the passengers there. During the conversation one of the third-class passengers addressed me saying, "You're an American, aren't you?" I answered yes. Another said, "I'll bet he is a Yankee." Answering in his own words I said, "You bet I am." The first one said, "Just hear 'im—such a difference in these Americans. Why the other day I asked an American that same question an' 'e got bloomin' mad at me, said he wasn't no Yankee, and when I asked him how that was, 'e said that there had been a war in America a long while back an' the Yankees were on the other side."

New Zealand Hospitality

Once ashore we soon found convenient lodgings and then set about to find something to interest us. This place (Wellington, N. Z.,) has a population of over 60,000 and has one of the finest natural harbors I ever saw. The people are extremely hospitable and when they learn one comes from a distance they do all they can to entertain and direct one to the finest parts of the city.

One of the first things I noticed was the general thrift of the people. They all seemed busy. All were cleanly dressed, there seemed no rich people at all; neither any paupers, and practically none of the low-browed, shabbily dressed fellows who throng the wharves in most large ports and look out of their eyes sidewise at you, and who, the minute you catch their gaze, immediately drop their eyes—the human wharf-rat in other words.

I do not remember of seeing more than a four-story building, but they are most solidly built. Most of the streets are narrow—too narrow for a trolley line—they call them "trams" here. But lots of the cars are the two-deck cars with seats on the roof. I have seen the same style of car on Coronado Beach, Cal. That part of the city near the wharves lies on a side hill and many of the streets are quite steep, but at the upper ends a most excellent view is obtained of the busy water front.

There are about fifteen steamers lying at the wharves, of which five are of the line to which our "Moana" belongs, namely the Union S. S. Co. of New Zealand. These steamers can always be told by their red funnels tipped with a black band, and from the preasant associations aboard this line and the fine service received we feel an especial interest in these vessels, one often hearing the remark "There's another Union boat. I wonder when she goes," etc. The Union line has upwards of forty steamers, and I understand these ply around Australia, New Zealand and the South Sea Island mostly.

Fine Live Stock

To get back to the city, there are many strange sights. What fine heavy horses they have with immense feet and hairy legs! And see the high two-wheeled carts, sometimes carrying big loads of 16-foot lumber with the boards extending ahead as far as the horses collar. Often, too, there are one or two lead horses pulling from the front end of the shafts. The beds of these carts are very small, only about 5x7 feet, and they are tremendously heavy.

Wellington is as windy as San Francisco. Yes, more so. And it was so cold that after leaving sunny California and passing through the tropics we suffered from cold. The cloudy days with frequent showers hastened our departure. Here it is November 6 (May 6, same as in California) and the apple trees are just in bloom and strawberries just coming in from the north end of the island. They say the season is two months late. Nevertheless there are many fine, new flowers and shrubs. We visited the botanical gardens and find them fine as the finest in their setting of perpetual green. The lawns are green here the year through and pastures as well, but little frost, in fact we saw an orange tree in one yard. This green feed accounts for the finest flavored butter I ever ate. And such mutton! So heavy are the pieces of flesh that it seems these sheep must be twice the size of ours in the United States.

New Zealand seems to have its labor and other troubles. A strike is in progress at the Maki gold mines and the city council here recently broke up or rather was adjourned to keep from breaking up.

Government Ownership

Seems to me, from what I have seen, that there is as much difference in the minds of these people as to how the government here should be run, as there is in our own country over ours, only it is a different way. Also I believe that government ownership very largely holds back private enterprise and public development. There surely is not the enterprise shown here that we see everywhere at home. Our stay here is too short, but we will be here again in about three weeks.

On Monday at noon we leave via the New Zealand Government Railroad for Auckland via Roturua. For the first 100 miles we find the scenery fine, but the land rough and brush covered in most places. We stop at Tihape for the night, that we may cover the whole distance by daylight, and at 4:02 next morning take the Auckland express. Soon after leaving there is glorious scenery. Mountains and valleys, streams and new trees and ferns, waterfalls, and very high trestles follow in quick succession. Way off stands a range of snow-capped mountains. The country is as green as a green velvet carpet, for at Wellington they said it had rained on 60 out of the last 68 days.

Our first impression after entering these narrow gauge cars tended to disappoint rather than otherwise, as the roofs of these cars are hardly 30 inches higher than ones head when standing up; often they are four-wheeled and with a double seat on one side of the aisle and a single one on the other. But when we got out on the road and glided up, as well as down the grades we could easily see the philosophy of the light cars as against our heavy ones. Some of their freight cars are built for eight tons only, while others will carry twenty tons.

Wild Country

The soil is yellow as ochre in many places and as there is but little colored matter on top I judge that it cannot be very fertile. It is as a rule too steep to do for farming land. Most of this has been wooded, but has been burned off and there are many dead trees standing in places. A great many ferns cover the land, also in the ravines are many tree ferns, giving a very tropical appearance to the country. About the middle of the afternoon we get into heavier timber and several saw mills

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Brief Items of Interest

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. D. Gray spent a few days this week at their home on Carter avenue.

Mrs. Roland Adams spent a short time last week in Riverside, where she was visiting relatives.

Mrs. M. N. McMillan of Shattuck, Okla., is staying at the home of her cousin, Mrs. C. W. Jones.

Miss Etta Dickson spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Pasadena as the guest of Mrs. Thomas De Bale.

Raymond Andrews has been spending his holiday vacation on a surveying job in the Imperial Valley.

Mrs. C. E. Cook has just received the news of the death of her older sister, Miss Flora Whitman, of Auburn, Me.

Milton Steinberger has sold another of the new model Ford cars, this one to A. S. Parker of Santa Anita.

Mrs. Percy Stone and child of San Francisco were the guests on Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Carhart of Los Angeles have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawless this week.

Dr. N. H. Goodnow of Everett, Wash., has been a house guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Farman.

Miss Helen Morrow was a guest for a few days this week at the homes of Mrs. W. H. Ingraham and Mrs. G. H. Johnson.

Miss Janet Stevenson enjoyed a short visit in Pasadena this week when she was a guest at the home of Miss Elinor Coffeen.

Mrs. J. A. Madden who has been for some time in Porterville will be a guest for some time at the home of Mrs. Robert Maher.

Mrs. H. C. Vaughn and daughter, Miss Louise, of Minneapolis, are spending the winter with Mrs. Frances Perry at 494 North Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hill had as Christmas dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Fowble of Alhambra and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Riley of Oneonta Park.

Mrs. W. E. Farman was among the guests in vited on Thursday to a luncheon in Los Angeles given at the home of Mrs. William Rosecrans.

Harold Costello is visiting his mother, Mrs. C. F. Costello, while enjoying a short vacation from his duties at the aqueduct cement plant at Monolith.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watkins and Miss Minnie Watkins of Hollywood, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. G. Twycross last Sunday, coming over by auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rowe of Pasadena and Miss Cecil Rowe, who is a student at the University of California, were the guests on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gay.

As dinner guests on Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Mollenkopf had at their home Mr. and Mrs. W. Mollenkopf, Mrs. Umbach, the Misses Fern and Mildred Umbach, and Emerson Mollenkopf of Monrovia.

S. R. G Twycross has sold for Miss Albertine Stone of Washington, D. C., lot 44 and the east 50 feet of lot 45 of the Prospect tract to C. L. Twycross, who expects to improve the property in the near future.

The Mises Emma and Fanny Scott of Pasadena entertained on Wednesday with luncheon. Among those present from Sierra Madre were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thatcher, Miss Edith Blumer, and Miss Lottie Humphries.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gresham returned Thursday to their home in Alameda after having been here for a short time. Returning with them is Mrs. Gresham's mother, Mrs. M. Lambert who expect to remain in the north for a month or more.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wright entertained on Saturday evening with a delightful dinner party at Brink's Cafe in Los Angeles, and after dinner the guests enjoyed seeing "The Butterfly on the Wheel." Those invited were the Misses Edith Blumer, Humphries, Dorothy Humphries, and Isabel Langton.

A jolly party motored to San Marino on Wednesday evening and enjoyed a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stilson. Those in the party were Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Montgomery, Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Krebs, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawless, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Camp, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hallett Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Carhart, Mrs. W. H. Ingraham, Mrs. Mary Davis Goodfellow, and Messrs. Frank Hart and Claude Davis.

Mrs. C. W. Mitchell entertained the Dickens Club on Saturday with a Christmas party. Mrs. Sherman Roberts of Pasadena read Dickens' "Christmas Carol." Very dainty refreshments were served which were much in keeping with the occasion. Ice cream served os snow-balls and stockings filled with cake and candy were used while small Christmas trees with lighted candles were used as favors. Holly was effectively used in decorating.

Miss Katherine Schwartz entertained on Saturday evening the members of the T. C. B. Club and a few others, the event being in honor of her birthday. Games were played during the evening and pretty prizes were awarded to the victorious ones. A color scheme of red and green was carried out in the refreshments as well as in the decorations. Among those present were the Misses Dora and Helen Janson, Mattie Seeley, Marguerite and Beatrice Ward, Mabel Breininger, and Isabel Langton, Mesrs. Chas. Schwartz, Don Baxter and Meredith Allen.

RESOLUTION NO. 32

WHEREAS, a special election has been called and will be held in the City of Sierra Madre on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, 1913, for the object and purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said city the proposition of incurring a bonded debt of said city for the following purpose:

The completion of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement, to-wit:

Water works for supplying said City of Sierra Madre and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for the distribution of such water, including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor, for the acquisition and construction of which an indebtedness in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized at the special election held in said city on the 13th day of December, 1910; the estimated cost of the acquisition, construction and completion of which said proposed municipal improvement is the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars of which estimated cost the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars for the acquisition and construction of said water works was provided for by the vote to incur an indebtedness in said sum of Forty Thousand Dollars at said special election, as aforesaid, and of which estimated cost there is a balance still to be provided for of Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of completing said water works; and the estimated cost of completing said water works is the said sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved and determined by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre as follows:

Section 1. That the following statement be and the same is hereby approved by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre as and for the statement of the aforesaid proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Sierra Madre at the special election to be held in said city on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, 1913. to-wit:

"PROPOSITION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY OF SIERRA MADRE ON TUESDAY, THE 14TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1913, TO-WIT:

The proposition of incurring a debt in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of completing improvement described as follows, to-wit:

Water works for supplying said City of Sierra Madre and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for the distribution of such water, including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs, and other works necessary therefor; for the acquisition and construction of which said water works an indebtedness in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized at the special election held in said city on the 13th day of December, 1910; said bonds to bear interest at a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the principal and interest thereof to be payable in gold coin of the United States."

Section 2. That the City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre be and he is hereby directed to certify to the adoption of this resolution by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Board of Trustees of said city, and to publish this resolution and the aforesaid statement of said proposition twice in the Sierra Madre News, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed, published and circulated in said City of Sierra Madre, and hereby designated for that purpose.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre at its meeting of January 2, 1913, by the following vote:

Ayes: Trustees Gray, Pegler, Steinberger and Jones. (4)

Noes: None.

Absent: Trustee Tarr. (1)

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the corporate seal of the City of Sierra Madre this 2nd day of January, 1913.

C. H. PERRY,
City Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre.
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ORDINANCE NO. 165

An Ordinance calling a special election to be held in the City of Sierra Madre on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, 1913, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City a certain proposition to incur a bonded indebtedness in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars to pay the cost of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement, to wit: The completion of a certain system of water works for supplying said City and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for distributing such water, for the acquisition and construction of which an indebtedness in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized at the special election held in said City on the 13th day of December, 1910; providing for the issue of bonds of said City for said municipal improvement, and for the levy of a tax for the payment of said bonds; establishing an election precinct for said special election, designating a polling place therefor and appointing the election officers for said election.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 17, passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre on the 9th day of June, 1910, by a vote of two thirds of all the members of said Board of Trustees, and approved by the Executive of said City of Sierra Madre, said Board of Trustees determined that the public interest and necessity demanded the acquisition and construction by the City of Sierra Madre of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement, to wit: Water Works for supplying said city and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for distributing such water, including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way, and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs, and other works necessary therefor; which said resolution set forth that the cost of said municipal improvement was and would be too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of said City, and that said system of water works was necessary and convenient to carry out the objects, purposes and powers of said City of Sierra Madre, in supplying itself and its inhabitants with water; and,

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the acquisition and construction of said municipal improvement, to wit, said water works, as set forth in said resolution, was the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars; and,

WHEREAS, in pursuance of said resolution, an election was duly and regularly called to be held in said City of Sierra Madre on the 13th day of December, 1910, for the object and purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City the proposition of incurring a debt for the purposes set forth in said resolution; and such election was regularly held in said City of Sierra Madre on said 13th day of December, 1910, and a bonded indebtedness of said City in the said sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized by the voters of said City at said special election for the purpose of acquiring and constructing said municipal improvement, to wit: said water works; and,

WHEREAS, it now appears that the said bonded indebtedness of Forty Thousand Dollars so authorized, as aforesaid, is not sufficient to acquire, construct and complete said water works, and the public interest and necessity demand that said water works be completed; and,

WHEREAS, the said Board of Trustees of said City of Sierra Madre, at a regular adjourned meeting of said Board of Trustees held on the 5th day of December, 1912, by a vote of two thirds of all its members, duly passed and adopted a resolution, designated as Resolution Number 31, finding and determining that the public interest and necessity demand the completion by the City of Sierra Madre of said revenue-producing municipal improvement, for the acquisition and construction of which an indebtedness in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized at a special election held in said City on the 13th day of December, 1910, which said municipal improvement is described as follows, to-wit: Water works for supplying said City and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for distributing such water including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way, and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor; and also finding and determining that said system of water works is necessary and convenient to carry out the objects, purposes and powers of said City of Sierra Madre in supplying itself and its inhabitants with water; and also finding and determining that the estimated cost of acquiring, constructing and completing said municipal improvement is the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars, of which estimated cost the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars for the acquisition and construction thereof was provided for by the vote to incur an indebtedness for that amount at a special election held in said City of Sierra Madre on the 13th day of December, 1910, and that there is a balance of such estimated cost still to be provided for, of Twenty Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of completing said system of water works, and that the aforesaid balance of such estimated cost, to-wit, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, is and will be too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of said City; and,

WHEREAS, said resolution last above mentioned was, on the said 5th day of December, 1912, duly approved by the Executive of said municipality, to-wit, the President of the Board of Trustees of the said City of Sierra Madre; and,

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of acquiring, constructing and completing said municipal improvement, to-wit, said water works, is the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars, of which estimated cost the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars for the acquisition and construction thereof was provided for by the vote to incur an indebtedness for that amount at the special election held in said City of Sierra Madre on the 13th day of December, 1910, as aforesaid, and there is a balance of such estimated cost, still to be provided for, of Twenty Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of completing said water works, said sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars being in addition to said sum of Forty Thousand Dollars already so provided for; and said balance of such estimated cost, to-wit, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, is and will be too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of said City, and said municipal improvement, to-wit, said water works, is necessary and convenient to carry out the objects, purposes and powers of said City of Sierra Madre in supplying itself and its inhabitants with water;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That a special election be and the same is hereby called to be held, and such special election shall be held, in the City of Sierra Madre, on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, 1913, for the object and purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City the proposition of incurring a bonded debt for the purpose set forth in said resolution passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of said City at its meeting of December 5, 1912, as aforesaid, and hereinafter stated, and such proposition shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said City at said special election.

Sec. 2. That the object and purpose for which said debt is proposed to be incurred is the completion of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement described as follows:

Water works, for supplying said City and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for the distribution of such water, including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor; for the acquisition and construction of which an indebtedness in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized at the special election held in said City on the 13th day of December, 1910, as aforesaid.

Sec. 3. That the estimated cost of the acquisition, construction and completion of said proposed municipal improvement described in Section 2 of this ordinance, to-wit, said water works, is the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars, of which estimated cost the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars for the acquisition and construction of said water works was provided for by the vote to incur an indebtedness in said sum of Forty Thousand Dollars at the special election held in said City of Sierra Madre on the 13th day of December, 1910, as aforesaid, and of which estimated cost there is a balance still to be provided for, of Twenty Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of completing said water works; and the estimated cost of completing said water works is the said sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars.

That the amount of the principal of the indebtedness to be incurred for the purpose of completing the said water works is the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, which said sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars is in addition to the indebtedness of said City in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars that was voted at a special election held December 13, 1910, as aforesaid, for the purpose of acquiring and constructing said water works; and that the maximum rate of interest to be paid on such indebtedness of Twenty Thousand Dollars is five (5) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, which rate of interest shall not be exceeded in the issuance of bonds for such indebtedness.

Sec. 4. That if the proposition of incurring the indebtedness of said City for said purpose of completing said water works, so submitted at such election, receives the requisite number of votes, to-wit, two-thirds of the votes of the qualified voters of said City voting at such election, bonds of said City in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars shall be issued and sold for the purpose of completing the aforesaid revenue-producing municipal improvement, to-wit, said water works, for the acquisition and construction of which an indebtedness in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars was authorized at the aforesaid special election held in said City on the 13th day of December, 1910, as aforesaid, which said municipal improvement is described as follows, to-wit:

Water works, for supplying said City and the inhabitants thereof with water, and for distributing such water, including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs, and other works necessary therefor.

Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding Five (5) per centum per annum payable semi-annually, and the principal and interest thereof shall be payable in gold coin of the United States.

Sec. 5. That for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of said bonds, the Board of Trustees of said City shall, at the time of fixing the general tax levy, and in the manner for such general tax levy provided, levy and collect annually each year until such bonds are paid, or until there shall be a sum in the treasury of said City set apart for that purpose to meet all sums becoming due for the principal and interest on said bonds, a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on such bonds, and also such part of the principal thereof as shall become due before the time for fixing the next general tax levy; provided, however, that if the maturity of the indebtedness created by the aforesaid issue of bonds be made to begin more than one year after the date of the issuance of such bonds, then the tax for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of the bonds the maturity of which is so deferred shall be levied and collected at the time and in the manner aforesaid annually each year, sufficient to pay the interest on such indebtedness as it falls due, and also to constitute a sinking fund for the payment of the principal thereof on or before maturity. Said tax shall be in addition to all other taxes levied for municipal purposes, and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other municipal taxes are collected, and be used for no other purpose than the payment of said bonds and accruing interest.

Sec. 6. The polls of said election shall be opened at six o'clock of the morning of the day of the election, and shall be kept open until six o'clock in the afternoon of said day, when the polls shall be closed.

Sec. 7. The ballots to be used at said election shall be printed in the following form:

No. .....

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To vote for a candidate of your selection, stamp a cross (X) in the voting square next to the right of the name of such candidate. Where two or more candidates for the same office are to be elected, stamp a cross (X) after the names of all the candidates for that office for whom you desire to vote, not to exceed, however, the number of candidates who are to be elected. If the ballot does not contain the names of candidates for all offices for which you may desire to vote, you may vote for candidates for such offices so omitted, by writing the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote in the blank space left for that purpose. To vote for a person not on the ballot, write the name of such person under the title of the office in the blank space left for that purpose.

To vote on any question, proposition or constitutional amendment, stamp a cross (X) in the voting square after the word "Yes" or after the word "No." All marks, except the cross (X), are forbidden. All distinguishing marks or erasures are forbidden and make the ballot void.

If you wrongly stamp, tear or deface this ballot, return it to the inspector of election and obtain another.

Shall the City of Sierra Madre incur a bonded debt of $20,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and completing a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement, to-wit: Water works, for supplying said City and its inhabitants with water, and for distributing such water, including the acquisition of lands, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor, the said $20,000 being additional to, and for the purpose of completing the water works for which, a debt of said City to the amount of $40,000 was voted at the special election held December 13, 1910?	YES	
	NO	

Sec. 8. If an elector shall have stamped a cross (X) in the voting square after the printed word "Yes," his vote shall be counted in favor of the adoption of the proposition; if he shall have stamped a cross (X) in the voting square after the printed word "No," his vote shall be counted against the adoption of the same.

Sec. 9. That in all particulars not recited in this ordinance, said special election shall be held as provided by law for holding municipal elections in said City.

Sec. 10. That for the holding of said special election the whole of said City of Sierra Madre is hereby precincted into one special election precinct, to be known as Special Election Precinct No. 1, which said Special Election Precinct No. 1 embraces all of the precincts which existed for the holding of the last preceding general State election in said City, the said City having heretofore been precincted into but one precinct; that the boundaries of said Special Election Precinct No. 1 are the boundaries of said City of Sierra Madre, and said Special Election Precinct No. 1 is coextensive with the corporate limits of said City of Sierra Madre; that the polling place of said Special Election Precinct No. 1 is hereby established at the City Hall of the City of Sierra Madre; that the compensation of the Officers of Election for said Special Election Precinct No. 1 for all services performed by said Officers of Election at said special election is hereby fixed at the sum of Three ($3.00) Dollars each, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of Election for said Special Election Precinct No. 1 for said election, to-wit:

Judges: Greer Caskey, Democrat; E N Mead, Republican.

Inspectors, S. R. Norris, Democrat; F. O. Nichols, Republican.

Clerks: L. Dietz, Democrat; J. A Patterson, Republican.

Ballot Clerks: J. A. Kramer, Democrat; S. H. Spafford, Republican.

Sec. 11. That the City Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Board of Trustees of said City, and to its approval by the Executive of said City, to-wit, by the President of the said Board of Trustees of said City; and said City Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be published once a week for two successive weeks in the "Sierra Madre News," the same being a weekly newspaper of general circulation printed and published less than six days a week, to-wit, once a week, in said City of Sierra Madre. No other notice of said election than the aforesaid publication for two weeks of this ordinance in said newspaper as aforesaid need be given, and one insertion of said ordinance each week for two successive weeks shall be sufficient publication of this ordinance for all purposes.

Passed, adopted and approved this 27th day of December, 1912.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance No. 165 this 27th day of December, 1912.

C. W. JONES,
President of the Board of Trustees and Executive of said City of Sierra Madre, California.

Attest:
C. H. PERRY,
City Clerk of said City.

Seal of the City of Sierra Madre.

State of California,
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City of Sierra Madre.
ss.

I hereby certify that the whole number of members of the Board of Trustees of the said City of Sierra Madre is five, and that the foregoing Ordinance No. 165 was presented and read to said Board, and introduced by Trustee Pegler at a regular meeting of said Board on December 12, 1912, and that said ordinance was passed and adopted by the affirmative vote of more than two-thirds of all members of said Board at an adjourned regular meeting of said Board held on the 27th day of December, 1912, and that said ordinance was so passed and adopted by the following vote, to-wit:

Ayes: Trustees Gray, Pegler, Steinberger and Jones.

Noes: None.

Absent: Trustee Tarr.

And I further certify that said ordinance was, on said 27th day of December, 1912, signed and approved by C W. Jones, President of said Board of Trustees and Executive of said City, and that said ordinance was attested by me, as City Clerk of said City, with the seal of said City, this 27th day of December, 1912.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said City this 27th day of December, 1912.

Attest: C. H. PERRY,
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BY THE WAY

Some learned scientist has proven by experiments on guinea pigs that the use of alcohol is injurious. Now what was the use of poisoning innocent guinea pigs to prove what human pigs are demonstrating all the time?

If it is true that the clothes make the man there are a lot of $60 suits that have big jobs to accomplish.

Just to vary the usual routine, why not keep a few of those resolutions this year?

As was to be expected and as we foresaw when writing it, our recent reference to the appointment of Meyer Lissner as a member of the Progressive commission which is to study economic conditions in Europe stirred up the animals in the reactionary camp. Any complimentary reference to Mr. Lissner is apt to induce acute attacks of a malady which may be called Lissner-phobia for lack of a better name. The accompanying phenomena are so amusing as to tempt one to frequent eulogies of Mr. Lissner. Among others, Editor Sherer of the Glendale News "fell for it." After having some fun with our use of the English language Brother Sherer hints that it is a waste of money to send abroad seeking information any one possessing all the knowledge we credited to Mr. Lissner. On its face the plea may seem to have some merit. But the fallacy is in the fact that your true progressive is always willing to learn. Nobody but a standpat worshipper of the God of Things as They Are would claim to know all there is to be known.

WHAT IS WORTH WHILE

Artesia News: "I do not take any public part in these public enterprises, but attend strictly to my own business," said a certain business man the other day. While speaking he swelled out his breast with a sense of great pride and seemed to be patting himself on the back as though it was a great accomplishment to attend to one's own business. That man is living in selfishness and will not get nearly so much out of either his business life or private life as he would if he would take the time to help along a little in enterprises of benefit to the community in which he lives. It's all right to attend to your own business, but what would become of the community's business if all were so selfish that we would not spare a moment in public service? No, Mr. Man, you are not to be commended for attending to your own business. Even the dirtiest pig in the slaughter house pen does that. The acts that deserve commendation are those that are given without hope or expectation of reward and for the general good of the community.

SAYING WHAT WE MEAN

The Watts Advertiser remarks: The medical faddists are going to try to get a bill through the state legislature to provide for the tuberculin test to be applied to all cows. It is not long since the attempt to fasten this crime on the people of Los Angeles was defeated by a vote of something like 4 to 1.

To which the Artesia News editor adds: I thought they only proposed to apply the test to milk animals, not to all the people of Los Angeles.

But the country papers are not the only ones which occasionally put a peculiar twist on the English language. For instance, the Los Angeles Tribune said the other day that the holiday mail had "never been so heavy afte Christmas before." In regard to a recent change in routine in the Soldier's Home the Examiner said the board of examiners had ordered "that this immemorial custom be begun at once." The almost impeccable Pasadena News had this sentence in the heading of a story of a polo accident: "John Smith's pony fell and his collar bone is broken."

LETTER FROM C. B. REAS

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are seen and off to the east we can see snow on the mountains.

At 6:48 we leave the train and stay for the night in the little village of Tihape. This is the center of the sheep country and is noted for its fine wool and mutton.

Next morning at 4:02 we again take the train and soon are in the midst of delightful scenery—rivers flowing deep down in gorges and canons, fine timber and saw mills. Early in the afternoon we arrive at Frankton and here the land begins to improve and nice farms are seen with iron roofed building, each with its rainwater tank at one corner of the house—there are very few wells here, most of the people depending on the rain for water for domestic use.

After once getting our room at Rotorua, we start out and soon find some boiling springs near the government reservation and find that the sanitarium is under government ownership and rules. Tomorrow promises to be an interesting day, so we retire early.

Continued in my next.

C. B. REAS.

IN BAD SHAPE

'Gene Stevens had a friend who was very sick and the friends had had a good doctor, but the doctor was puzzled about the case. So a conslutation was held. Four other doctors came, looked wise, shook their heads, talked it over together and went away. Then the first doctor summoned the patient's wife. "I am sorry to tell you that your husband is in a bad way," he said. "If he is religiously inclined I should advise that you send for a minister without delay." "Yes, doctor. Shall I get just one minister or will he need a consultation?"

RENTALS AND INSURANCE

W. L. Gilliland is now in charge of all rentals and insurance business in the office of A. S. Mead, Mr. Mead now devoting his entire time to the real estate sales and exchanges and loans.

Will take party of four by auto to the Mission Play at San Gabriel for $3. Harold Flint, Phone Black 9. 14

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Items of personal or social interest may be telephoned to Miss Dorothy Humphries, Black 28, or to the News office, Black 42. Miss Humphries is also local society correspondent for the Times.

Proposition to be Submitted to the Qualified Voters of the City of Sierra Madre at the Special Election to be Held in Said City of Sierra Madre on Tuesday, the 14th Day of January, 1913, To-wit:

The proposition of incurring a debt in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of completing a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement described as follows, to-wit:

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sierra Madre Telephone & Telegraph Company will be held in the banking rooms of the First National Bank of Sierra Madre, California, Saturday, January 18th, 1913, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before the meeting.

F. W. NUETZEL, Secretary.

Sierra Madre, California, January 2, 1913.

News Liners

Advertising inserted under this heading at the rate of five cents per line for each insertion.

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Lady's new bicycle. G. Riehl, Phone Green 45. 14

FOR EXCHANGE—A fine double clean corner on Santa Rosa avenue in Altadena, 141x175. Would exchange for Sierra Madre property. J. E. R., News office.

WANTED—Some one to do bachelor's wash every two weeks. Address Box 24, Norris Substation, Sierra Madre. 14

TO LOAN—Several thousand dollars at seven per cent. A. S Mead.

FOR RENT—Four-room cottage. No sickness. Phone Red 58.

FOR EXCHANGE—Fine home on principal corner in Artesia. New six room house, strictly modern in every way. Want Sierra Madre property. Secretary, 911 Trust Savings Bldg., Los Angeles.

LOST—White Collie puppy, 4 months old, brown ears, long hair. Notify P. O. Box 292.

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